GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) plans to reach out to village students;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the courses designed therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has informed that it has established 6 Sut Regional Centres and 211 Special Study Centres for disadvantaged groups in remote rural and low literacy regions. The University is offering certain programmes such as Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Development,Diploma Programme in Value Added Products from Fruits and Vegetables, Diploma in Aquaculture, Certificate in Empowering Women through Self Help Groups and Certificate in Craft and Design (Pottery) etc., which are beneficial to the village students.